



November 28, 2018

Michael J. Wilhelm  
Chief, Policy and Licensing Division  
Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau  
Federal Communications Commission (FCC)  
445-12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC, 20554

Dear Mr. Wilhelm,

Subject: State of California withdraws application for FCC Rule Waiver

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) hereby withdraws its request for a waiver of the FCC's Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) rules (filed to the docket on November 9, 2018) to permit Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) providers to participate in an end-to-end earthquake early warning WEA test. At this time, the full resources of the state are dedicated to the wildfire recovery efforts throughout the state. It is important that any test have adequate public outreach in advance, which is not feasible due to the essential functions public information officers and other members of the Cal OES provide during large scale recovery efforts.

Cal OES intends to organize a call with stakeholders in December to assess future test options.

Sincerely,

CHRISTINA CURRY  
Deputy Director

cc: Dr. Stephen Hickman, Director, Earthquake Science Center, United States Geological Survey  
Robert Fenton, Regional Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IX  
Captain Pace Stokes, Alameda County Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
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